

O'Hare Airport Commission
Health and Safety Update
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"LI Lawmakers Want Health, Environmental Study of Increased Airport Noise", Yancey Roy, [Newsday.com](#), May 19, 2019. State senators James Graham and Assemb. Judy Griffin introduced legislation to mandate a state study of the environmental and health impacts of Metro New York's major airports, following a "flood of complaints from constituents" about aircraft noise in light of increased traffic and changing flight patterns which have led to "low-flying planes around the clock" over Long Island.

"Rep. Adam Smith Testimony Highlights Effects of Aviation Noise and Emissions," Scott Schaefer, [b-townblog.com](#), May 20, 2019. Congressman Adam Smith submitted written testimony to the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, highlighting effects of aviation noise and emissions for communities around airports. He said in his testimony that "Congress must act to reduce the impacts felt by surrounding areas while ensuring that our airports remain vital economic engines." His proposed legislation, the Aviation Impacted Communities Act, would codify a process for aviation-impacted communities to better interface with the FAA, and to petition the FAA for impact studies.

"FAA to Reconsider BWI-Marshall Airport Noise Case," [wbaltv.com](#), July 10, 2019. FAA filed a Motion to Hold Case In Abeyance to reconsider its position in response to petitions filed by Maryland state authorities over new flight patterns and the noise they bring residents near BWI airport.

"Huntington Beach to Study Lower Aircraft Noise Over the City," Miranda Andrade, [voiceofoc.org](#), July 9, 2019. City Council members voted in favor of funding a glide slope study to look at arrival paths for flights to Long Beach Airport. The City and residents hope the results of the study will result in a requirement that planes glide at an altitude of 2,200 feet while flying over Huntington Beach using little to no thrust. Residents would benefit from higher planes and reduced noise while aircraft save on fuel costs.